

Irma and District Greet Their Majesties With Loyalty, Love, and Devotion

The Royal Visit

By S. J. Dornan, C.W.N.A. Representative
on the Press Pilot Train

First Release Covering the Visit of Their
Majesties to Quebec and Montreal

Royal Train, May 18, 1939.—"Having arrived in Quebec, the historic old city of early Canada in Sunday afternoon, 14th inst., in order to be present at the conference of accredited press representatives, on board the Pilot train to accompany the Royal party on their tour of Canada and portion of the U.S.A., I had every opportunity to witness the great anxiety which prevailed by reason of the enforced delay in the arrival of the Royal steamer. To me it was a revelation to drive or walk in the city, which is the most ancient on this continent, and hear the expressions of regret at the enforced delay of Their Majesties; there seemed to be a feeling of dismay and many were heard to say "what can it mean" but they spoke in French and I had the expression interpreted for me.

Once the steamer docked there was a feeling of great relief and the populace gave vent to great joy; the entire route of procession was thronged by cheering lines of jubilant people. It was a grand spectacle at the landing dock, when Their Majesties set foot for the first time in Canadian soil. I was present in the Red Chamber (Senate) when the address of welcome was read to Their Majesties and a number of presentations made. The ceremony was very dramatic and lacked, in my opinion, the feeling which was put up in the hearts of all present. This was relieved when a member of the press gang commenced to clap and cheer and it was the signal for a great outburst of applause. The Queen was dressed in a soft pearl grey trimmed with fur and wore a large hat; Her Majesty was decidedly lovely, very lovely, in fact beyond description. Her gracious bow and simple wave of her left hand brought joy and gladness to thousands of hearts.

At the official luncheon in the Chateau Frontenac at noon, there was a grand spectacle; democratic, yet it had that touch of British splendour which struck a note of pride in all who were favored by an invitation; His Majesty delivered his first speech at this function and dressed in simple morning attire, he appeared to be a little nervous but his speech was clear and when he spoke in French, the citizens of Quebec were almost hysterical with delight for his mastery of the language was perfect. At this function Her Majesty carried a bouquet of roses and sat at the left of the Prime Minister. The Right Honourable W. L. Mackenzie King, while His Majesty sat on the right of the Prime Minister.

At the Battlements I had a place within a few feet of the stand where the King and Queen reviewed 50,000 school children; it was a soul stirring sight to see that immense crowd cheer and wave small flags; Their Majesties were deeply moved and the King appeared as wishing to speak to the children after they had sang God Save the King and O Canada, in both languages, but there were no speech amplifiers arranged.

The provincial Banquet at night was another scene of great splendor; words fail to describe the grandeur; it was a credit to the Provincial authorities; the King wore evening

clothes while the Queen was dressed in pale pink satin encrusted with gold sequins and wore magnificent jewels.

On Wednesday night the press party had to occupy the Pilot train which sat along side the Royal train, in order that we might leave ahead of the Royal party, early on Thursday morning.

Enroute from Quebec city to Montreal, it was one long line of cheering citizens, some from the nearby farms and some from the farms not so near; in the larger towns and especially at Three Rivers, the press train received tumultuous reception and this bespoke a real acclaim for the train bearing Their Majesties and suite. At Three Rivers I took pictures of crowds of children and people of all ages which I estimated numbered 10 thousand, as far as I could see.

Montreal was a scene of grandeur; the press party was driven over the route of the procession which was 24 miles in length and teeming with tens of thousands of cheering masses with the buildings simply grand with decorations. I have been told by an official in this city of Montreal that the police department estimates the crowd of visitors reached 1,250,000 which together with the million and a quarter of a population, made the reception a great spectacle.

It was impossible for your representative to accept any of the assignments for Montreal functions as this first story from the Royal train had to be prepared and written in order to catch the dead line set by our general managing director, Mr. Clarence V. Charters; it is being written in the Mount Royal Hotel press room where a battery of typewriters are going and the sound of fifty hands can be heard in the distance.

FLASH—Their Majesties have just passed the window and the cheering is simply deafening; I had a look out to see the procession and the King is wearing the uniform of an Admiral of the Fleet, while Her Majesty was dressed in pale blue ensemble with white fox epaulettes and small pale blue hat with blue colored veil draped around the crown. (This full description has been supplied me by one of the society writers in the press party).

My impression thus far is one of great pride in the British tradition and all that it represents; I looked on the mainly face of the King, a young man with a great responsibility on his shoulders; he is most ably supported by one of the most gracious and really lovely young women it is possible to imagine; both enshrined in the hearts of their hundreds of millions of subjects. This Royal tour of Canada will solidify the Canadian people and strengthen, if that be necessary, their love and devotion to the Throne of the Empire. Such demonstrations of loyalty and affection as I have witnessed in less than two days makes me proud to be numbered amongst the 500,000,000 people over which His Majesty reigns, and especially to be a Canadian, for this great new land has already demonstrated to the world since yesterday morning, that Canada does stand four square behind the British Throne.

Holy writ has been fulfilled very definitely, for in the text, I think it's 1st Samuel 10: 24, it is written, "And the people shouted and said God Save the King."



Obituary.

JOHN EDWARD HEDLEY

Mr. John Edward Hedley passed away suddenly at his home in Irma on the evening of May 24, 1939. The late Mr. Hedley was born in Middlesex County, Ontario, 80 years ago last February and lived there until about 10 years ago when he came West and lived with his son James until his death. The deceased had been enjoying his usual health going out for a walk every day and had just come in from outside and had sat down in his chair when he was called away.

The funeral service, conducted by Rev. Mr. Stevens of Wainwright was held in the Irma United Church on May 26th, where a large number of friends gathered to pay their last tribute of respect.

Many beautiful sprays and wreaths of flowers were contributed by the following: Jim, Aletha, Arthur & Ina; Mrs. Vinjerud; Village of Irma; Two Friends, Irma Hockey Club; Henry and Robert Kasten; Mr. and Mrs. M. Knudson; Merle and Melvin; Mac and Margaret McMillan and family; Mr. H. Halvorson and family; Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey; Mr. and Mrs. C. Milne; Otto and family; Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Steele; Mr. Riley; Mr. and Mrs. Ross McFarland; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Charter and family; Jack and Alice Fletcher; Ben and Olive; C. Lattner and family; Jim Pond and family; Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Jones; Walter and Mabel Fickelton; Mr. and Mrs. Foxwell and others.

The pall bearers were Messrs. F. M. Hill, O. Bethge, W. D. Ramsay, A. C. Milne, A. E. Foxwell and J. C. McLean. Interment took place in the Irma cemetery.

School Basketball

The Irma boys' and girls' basketball teams journeyed to Loughheed on May 24th and walked away with second money in each case. In the first game the Irma boys played Galahad and gave them a 48-21 drubbing, but lost in the final game by a 23-18 score to Hardisty. The Irma girls defeated Camrose in their first game by a 10-8 score. In the second game they lost to Hardisty 11-9.

Irma boys line-up: B. Simmerman, C. Jones, A. Carter, P. Charter, R. Smith, M. Webber, A. Peterson, N. MacMillan, C. Carter.

Irma girls line-up: S. Arnold, E. Arnold, M. Webber, D. Gulltner, I. Glasgow, E. Elford, M. Tate, J. Tate.

To the Ratepayers of the Municipal District of Battle River No. 423

PLEASE NOTE

RE: GRASSHOPPERS
The Municipal District's Grasshopper Mixing Station, situated at the United Grain Growers' Elevator Shed, Irma, Alberta, with Chas. Milne operator, is now in a position to supply Grasshopper Bait to the farmers of the Municipal District of Battle River No. 423. This plant is also mixing for the Mun. Dist. of Buffalo Coulee No. 453. For small quantities please bring your own sacks.

CHAS. WILBRAHAM,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Kinsella Kernels

SPORTS DAY HUGE SUCCESS

The Kinsella Women's Institute report they are very well pleased with the results of their sports day May 24th. The crowd exceeded expectations and every one said they enjoyed the sports immensely.

On behalf of the W. I. we wish to thank all those who were good enough to bring their race horses for they did their share of entertaining.

The crowd found something of interest for everyone at all times, never a dull moment and always some excitement in the ball games, races, etc. Particular interest was shown in the children's races, there were so many competing in them all and the prizes were the most generous.

Prize Winners -
Horse Race—1st, E. Lancaster.
2nd, K. McMurray.
Pony Race—1st, S. Mickelson.
2nd, W. Pike.

Ladies' Horse Race—1st, Miss Jean Murray; 2nd, Mrs. E. Lancaster.
School Softball—Mooreville and Kinsella—won by Kinsella.
Boys' Bicycle Race—Thos. McNeil.
Men's Softball—Rodino vs. Kinsella, won by Kinsella.

Wheelbarrow Race—Mr. and Mrs. T. Greenwood.
Best Decorated Car—J. F. Murray.

Girls' Bicycle Race—Mary Jackowick.
Ladies' Softball—Lake Vernon. Viking—won by Viking.
High Jump—Tie, Bruce Arkinstall and Lawrence Mitchell.

Tug-of-War—Married men.
Musical Chairs with Horses—W. Pike.
Trick Riding—C. McBride.

Tire Race with Horses—T. Greenwood.
Hardball—Sincle men.
Slow Car Race—Thos. Greenwood.

The Hall club reports the pavilion dance a huge success and they are hoping all who attended will come again and bring their friends on Saturday, June 3rd, to another of their out-door dances. The same orchestra will supply the music so come and have a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Rus. Harrington of Spirit River spent the week-end at the Nease home on their return journey to the World's fair at San Francisco.

Mr. Pete Dinaick, who has been in Vegreville for the past six months, returned home Saturday.

Miss Sadie Miller spent the week-end with her parents.

Mrs. Jim Horcink returned home today with her wee daughter.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. L. Clay, on May 29, a son.

Mr. D. Corbett will attend the post-masters' convention in Edmonton this week.

CREAMERY BUTTER

The grand total of creamery butter in Canada at the opening of business on May 1 was 9,563,537 lb., of which 9,067,587 lb. were in storage and 196,000 lb. in carloads in the hands of railway companies. All the storage butter was of Canadian make, 5,702,062 lb. being held in cold storage warehouses and 3,365,525 lb., or 41.0 per cent, in dairy factories.

Notice To All Owners and Occupants Re: Grasshoppers

Re: Agricultural Pests Act

OFFICIAL NOTICE RE: DESTRUCTION GRASSHOPPERS

To All Owners and Occupants of Land
Your attention is directed to the provisions of The Agricultural Pests Act, which requires every owner and occupant of land to destroy all pests specified within the aforementioned Act.

The Municipal District is required to direct and see that every owner and occupant of land takes the necessary precautions and conducts an active and aggressive control program with respect to grasshoppers present on lands under its control.

Your attention is drawn to the following Sections of The Agricultural Pests Act:

3. Every person shall take active control measures with a view to destroying all pests upon lands owned or occupied or controlled by him, and when given any specific directions with regard to such destruction by an officer he shall obey such directions.

4. A notice may be served upon him requiring him to forthwith take any action.

5. In the event of any person failing within three days after such notice has been served upon him to obey such directions, any officer may secure the proper material and take whatever action necessary to destroy such pests and the amount of such account shall be recorded against the land, payment of which shall be enforced in the same manner as that of taxes against the land.

6. Any person who contravenes with the provisions of this Act, or with any notice or regulation herein provided, shall be liable to a penalty of not more than \$100 and costs.

You are hereby notified, pursuant to the provisions of The Agricultural Pests Act, that you are required forth with, in accordance with methods outlined in Government posters or instructions issued by an officer charged with the enforcement of the Act, to take active measures to poison and destroy all grasshoppers on all lands, with road allowances adjacent thereto, owned, occupied or controlled by you; and that upon failure so to do the said pests may be destroyed and the cost charged against you or against the lands; and that in the event of your failure so to do you are liable to a penalty of \$100 and costs.

Your attention is directed to Government posters and other literature outlining methods of control which are displayed in Post Offices, Grain Elevators, Mixing Stations and other public places. I would make the following suggestions and recommendations with respect to the control of grasshoppers:

1. Every few days, after May 10, examine carefully all roadsides, headlands, and weedy or abandoned fields. Report discovery of hoppers immediately to the Municipal Secretary.

2. Do not sow stubble land. If absolutely necessary to seed stubble it should be PLOWED DEEPLY.

3. Land to be summer-fallowed in 1939 should be cultivated shallowly early in the Spring to bring egg pods to the surface where wind and sun may destroy them.

4. Plow 4-rod guard strips around all stubble fields. Cultivate such fields from the outside towards the centre, and poison the hoppers on the centre strip.

Spread Poisoned Bait While the

San Shines! Hoppers feed only while temperature is between 68 and 90 degrees F. in the shade.

PRESERVING POPLAR FENCE POSTS

Poplar posts that have been treated with bluestone at the Dominion Range Experimental Station, Manyberries, after being in the ground 10 to 12 years, were just as sound as the day they were put in. In the Manyberries area, ranch fences built with bluestoned poplars in 1908 have over 70% of the original posts still in service in 1938.

Fence posts will be needed for replacing old fences and building new ones. The Department of Agriculture offers the following suggestions for treating poplar posts. Bluestone is corrosive and metal equipment must not be allowed to come in contact with it. A small number of posts may be treated in a wooden barrel. Bluestone will eventually eat through the metal hoops and destroy the barrel. When a number of posts are to be treated, a vat should be built into an excavation in the ground so that the top is at the ground level. A vat, 4 ft. 6 ins. in length, 4 ft. in width, 3 ft. in depth, with a 4 in. wall is suitable for ordinary purposes. A vat this size would hold 150 to 200 posts standing on end.

Peel and sharpen the driving posts and peel the part that will be below the ground and a few inches above. Also peel a strip 2 or 3 inches wide the full length of the post. The posts are set on end in the vat with the sharpened or butt ends down. Enough posts will stand in 2 1/2 to 3 feet of solution. The bluestone can be dissolved by suspending it in a sack from one corner of the vat. It is best to allow about 24 hours for the bluestone to saturate water when first making the solution, as bluestone is not quickly soluble. Enough bluestone is kept in the sack so that a certain amount of solid always remains. A saturated solution contains about 2 1/2 to 3 pounds of bluestone per gallon of cold water.

Posts which are cut in the winter or early spring and kept where the sun will not dry them out, take treatment faster than those cut during the summer. On a hot, dry, sunny day, the treatment will be completed in 6 to 12 hours, but it may take longer on cold, cloudy days. As the bluestone enters the post, the blue color can be seen rising along the strip and when it reaches the top of the post, treatment is complete. If the tops of the posts are dipped in the solution it will give added protection against rot starting here and working into the post. The centre hardwood or pith will not likely take the solution readily but the sapwood should be thoroughly permeated. It is important that all outer portions of the post be well colored as this will prevent rot from entering for many years. The butt ends that are in the ground should be completely permeated throughout the sapwood.

—H. W. Scott, Dist. Agriculturalist, Camrose, Alberta. 1929

"Harmonious accord and blending of the various elements which constitute Canada was the ideal dream of the Fathers of Confederation."—His Majesty King George VI.

Garden hint—Don't plant a bigger garden than your wife is able to hoe.

Used Cars FOR SALE

'28 ESSEX \$125
'29 BUICK \$125
'29 ESSEX—Looks
and runs like new \$275
Call in for a demonstration. Good
Three all round.

V. HUTCHINSON
HUDSON DEALER
Irma Alberta

UNITED CHURCH NOTES

Rev. E. Longmire, Minister
Sunday, June 4th
Passendale—11 a.m.
Grescent Hill—3 p.m.
Irma—Sunday school, 11 a.m.
Public Worship, 8 p.m.
Prayer and fellowship service on
Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.
A hearty welcome to all.

FOR SALE—A quantity of good willow fence posts.—W. R. Askin, phone 317, Irma. 2-3c

To Ratepayers of Div. 3, M.D. Battle River No. 423

Please Note

Your Councillor of Div. 3 asks that all Ratepayers in Div. 3 attend A Meeting at Glenholm School on Wednesday, June 7, 1939, at 7.30 p.m. For the purpose of discussing Vital Municipal Affairs of that Division. Your attendance at this meeting is personally requested.

R. D. SMALLWOOD, Reeve,
M. D. Battle River No. 423, Irma.

Colonization Plans

A perusal of a report recently received from Great Britain leaves one with the impression that drought-ridden prairie farmers who have been seeking a safe anchorage elsewhere have been overlooking a good bet when they passed up Central British Columbia, for we learn from this document that "Our personal impression was that there was no reason why any small farmer on suitable soil and with the will to work should not save anything from \$500 to \$2,500 a year after feeding his family and buying such household necessities as he cannot produce."

The report is not talking about the happy condition of Central British Columbia farmers in the halcyon days of yore, but makes it clear that reference is made to possibilities under present day conditions for it adds: "They were all mixed farmers and we were further impressed with the fact that in general they had not felt even the worst of the depression to anything like the extent of other farmers, such as the wheat producers of the west."

The report is that of the British Mission of Brigadier General Sir Henry Page Croft and R. S. Dalgleish to Western Canada last summer to investigate the possibilities of community settlement for British immigrants in British Columbia which was presented to the Prime Minister and the cabinet of Great Britain in the fall.

Apart from the fact that the Mission appears to have unearthed a section of Western Canada where it is apparently still possible to farm on small scale at a profit under present conditions, the report is of considerable interest in the prairie provinces, since it was originally the intention to establish colonies of British settlers under an identical British state-aided scheme. In the wheat growing provinces under what was known as the General Horby plan, to which considerable publicity was given last year.

The report leaves the impression that whatever plans may have been formulated for British settlement on colonization basis in the prairie provinces have been abandoned for the time being and attention is being concentrated on colonization in British Columbia where to some extent at least conditions are dissimilar, and where the government has promised to make a grant of free land for the use of the prospective colony. Probably the clue to the abandonment of an immediate colonization project in the prairie provinces may be found in the reference already quoted, to the hardships experienced by what growers on the prairies in recent years.

Population Needed

Whether the proposals to settle British colonies on community basis in the prairie provinces will be revived once the machinery has been set in motion to transfer colonies to Central British Columbia is apparently not known here at the moment, but it is quite probable that something more will be heard of it in the near future.

There can be no quarrel with the general statement in the report that Western Canada needs greater population to help carry the burden of the overhead which has been created in providing such a large territory with facilities; nor with the statement that every settler on the land provides a means of livelihood for at least one other in the cities, towns and villages, but conditions must be such that the settler on the land is able to operate at a margin of profit.

This condition cannot be said to have been achieved as long as the staple product on the prairies has to be subsidized or a large number of the producers assisted via the direct relief route, and more particularly is this the case if the subsidy is not sufficient to ensure a margin of profit. Until this situation is cleared up Western farmers as a body are undoubtedly opposed to immigration on colonization scale, even under a two-year guarantee and it is quite conceivable that the east would have some objections to offer.

British Stock Needed

Nor can there be any quarrel with the oft-heard statement that whatever immigration to this country is permitted, whether on colonization scale or otherwise, it is highly desirable that a substantial percentage of the newcomers be of British stock.

And this can be said without impugning the loyalty of other nationals who have sought and been welcomed to the hospitality of this country and the liberty and security it affords, and their offspring. It is, however, essential that there be a strong foundation stock of those who are steeped in the traditions of British freedom and liberty are bound to exert a strong influence on those who have not been so fortunate in the circumstances surrounding their origin.

Certainly this objective should not be lost sight of and should receive every encouragement when conditions permit and opportunities afford.

In the meantime the experiment in Central British Columbia, if it is brought to fruition, and it looks like going ahead, will be watched with considerable interest in the prairie provinces and doubtless some valuable lessons will be learned from it. Let us hope it will be as great a success as its promoters anticipate.

Must Be Widely Read

Moscow Paper Claims Copies 'Of Stalin's Books Run Into Millions

The Detroit Free Press says if you are trying to decide who is the most widely read current author, it is evident that it will be dangerous to leave Joseph Stalin off the list of candidates.

For a Moscow newspaper makes some astonishing claims in his behalf. It asserts that 157,000,000 copies of his books were printed in the period 1933-38 (compared to 48,755,000 volumes of the works of Lenin).

The publication says, too, that in addition, 13,755,000 copies of Stalin's brief history of the Communist party have been printed in ten languages and that shortly 20,000,000 of his speech of last March before the Communist party will come off the press.

A record like that is enough to make Adolf Hitler turn green, and several other colors, with envy.

A parabolic reflector unit for flat ceilings has been invented to distribute light evenly about rooms and improve illumination.

Human cancer is not contagious, says the American Medical Association.

Not only human beings are subjected to snow blindness; animals are afflicted with the same malady.

Drive out ACHES



Statements Of Loyalty

United Church And Salvation Army Send Addresses To The King

An address of loyalty on behalf of 2,000,000 members of the United Church in Canada was forwarded to Lord Weismann to be presented to King George. The address was signed by Rt. Rev. John Woodside, moderator, and Rev. Gordon A. Sisco, secretary of the general council.

A statement of loyalty was also issued by Commissioner G. L. Carpenter on behalf of the Salvation Army in Canada, Alaska, Newfoundland and Bermuda. The statement said the army saluted their Majesties "with loyal and unbounded affection."

New Use For Honey

Found Effective For Stimulating Roots Of Cuttings

Ordinary honey may be used with good effect in horticulture in the stimulation of roots of cuttings. Preliminary experiments by the Division of Horticulture, Dominion Experimental Farms, proved the utility of honey in this respect, and a thorough test which was concluded in March established the fact that a 25 per cent. solution of honey had a definitely stimulating effect on roots of both cedar and chrysanthemum cuttings and compared very favourably with any of the hormone chemicals used for this purpose.

A Thrifty Committee

Committeemen in charge of arrangements for the visit to Woodstock, Ont., of the King and Queen are nothing if not thrifty. Informed they would have to buy a red carpet for \$350 to cover a runway at the station, they said the carpet would be cut up afterward and sold as rugs, at \$3.50 each.

The term "fapper," originally was applied to young ducks not yet able to fly.

THAT REMINDS ME—ROLL OGDENS FOR COOL FRAGRANT SMOKING



Refreshing as a summer bloom is the aroma of Ogdens' Fine Cut. Test it yourself. Compare it point by point with any other cigarette tobacco and you'll agree that Ogdens' has what it takes. By all means try Ogdens' and choose the best papers to go with it—'Vogue' or 'Chantecler'.



New Terminology

The English Language Is Not Losing Its Resiliency

The English language is at least not losing its resiliency. It pounces on everything new that comes along, and, actually, it makes life much easier.

Europe's troubles can be passed off as due to conflicting "ideologies," or a clash in "dialectics." In economics, if you don't like "inflation," you can talk of "reflation." Also there is this nice, new "implementation." Sociology crops up with its "finks" and "lime-lags," and a new field of study is grouped under "semantics."

Not to be outdone, television experiments have evolved "blizzard heads" for blonde actresses, and "womp" for a sudden surge in signal strength. Showing just what progress is capable of doing—Hamilton Spectator.

SELECTED RECIPES

SCOTCH SHORTBREAD

1 cup butter
1/2 cup Benson's or Canada Corn Starch
1/2 cup icing sugar
1 teaspoon salt
2 cups bread flour
Temperature: 325 degrees F.
Time: 20 minutes

Cream butter until fluffy but not greasy. Sift together three or four times the dry ingredients. Add to creamed mixture as long as possible with a spoon, then turn on floured board and knead in flour until the mixture cracks. Pat gently to 1/2 inch thickness and cut with fancy cutters, or roll into small balls and press flat with a fork. Bake in moderate oven. (10 dozen small cookies).

CHOCOLATE MINT SUNDAE

1/2 cup after dinner mints
1/2 cup whipping cream
1 pint vanilla ice cream
14 Christie Chocolate Wafers
Crush mints and add to whipped cream. Stir in portion of ice cream on each of six Christie Chocolate Wafers. Cover with a second layer of ice cream and heap mint whipped cream on top. Coarsely crumble remaining wafers and sprinkle over top. Six portions.

Forgot One Thing

Man All Set To Live Long Reckoned Without Motor Cars

The doctor examined him twice a year. He wore goggles when it rained. He slept with his window open. He stuck to a diet with plenty of fresh vegetables. He got at least eight hours' sleep every night. He never smoked, drank, or lost his temper. He did his daily dozen. He was all set to live to be a hundred. The funeral took place yesterday—he had forgotten about motor cars.—Montreal Star.

A Monster Turtle

One sea turtle, dead about 20,000,000 years, caused a lot of scientific excitement at Corvallis, Ore. The turtle's 16-inch skull was found near Newport. Dr. E. L. Packard, Oregon State paleontologist, said its owner probably weighed 1,500 to 2,000 pounds. The find was the first of its kind ever reported in North America.

A peculiar species of tobacco which grows on Juan Fernandez, sometimes called Cruce's isle—is sought by a University of California botanic expedition.

"Why is thirteen considered an unlucky number?" asks a contemporary. We believe the idea originated when a defendant in court added together one judge and 12 jurors.

The Queen Remembered

Talks To Drummer Boy Her Majesty Saw In India 15 Years Ago

The Queen recognized a war veteran she had last seen in hospital at Delhi, India, 15 years ago, a prodigious feat of memory.

Leslie Holden, once a drummer in the Black Watch and now a farm hand at Kemptonville, Ont., rode 40 miles on his bicycle to take his place among veterans at the unveiling of the National War memorial at Ottawa.

As their Majesties passed the Queen stopped in front of him and treated him to her dazzling smile. "Were you not in India?" inquired the Queen.

Drummer Holden said he was too dumbfounded for a moment to speak. "Yes, m'ham," he finally gulped. "I was in the Second battalion, Black Watch, and you shook hands with me 15 years ago in Delhi as I lay in bed in hospital."

"I remember," nodded the Queen. "Did you get over your operation?"

"Yes, m'ham," said the veteran. "Do you recognize this?" said Her Majesty, drawing his attention to a brooch on the left shoulder of her white coat. It was a replica of a Black Watch badge, set in diamonds and emeralds.

"Yes, I recognized it right away," said Holden. "It's the brooch the Second battalion gave me when you visited Delhi."

Her Majesty held out her hand. Tears in his eyes, Holden clasped her hand for a moment in both of his.

Russia's Women Workers

Are Said To Be Equal With Men On Railway Jobs

Women are being placed at the head of railway lines in Russia and declared to be achieving success equal to that of men. The pioneer is Zinaida Troitskaya, head of the Moscow Belt Railway, who worked her way from depot mechanic to locomotive engineer and then organized Russia's first women's locomotive crew.

Her success caused the establishment of special courses in engine driving, which were attended by hundreds of women. These were conducted at railway depots by experienced instructors. Galina Tschuk, the country's first woman locomotive fireman, has been placed in charge of another line.

Chinese Trousers

Made From Calico Flour Bags Which Originate In Japan

Japan may not know it but for months past she has been helping to provide the Chinese with trousers. Many of Australia's calico flour bags come from Japan and when they are filled some go to China. Emptied, they are made by the Chinese into pants and the fact that "Best Australian" is stencilled boldly across the seats is a minor detail to the wearer. It is estimated that a consignment for Tientsin this month will clothe, partially, at least, 432,750 Chinese.—Australian Press Union.

Michigan ranks first in big game animals in the United States, Pennsylvania second and California third.

Machine Works Accurately

Operating Like Electric Razor It Removes Skin For Grafting

A new machine for skinning human beings to make skin grafting more certain and safe and thus save lives was demonstrated at St. Louis, Mo.

A Kansas City surgeon, Dr. Earl C. Padgett, showed with a paint pot of rubber cement, a curved piece of sheet metal and a vibrating knife, how he could, if necessary, whittle the skin off a person who had recently died, and transfer it to save the life of another facing death from a severe burn or injury.

In principle his machine is an electric razor which can cut any area of the skin to any desired depth accurately and quickly. If an area to which skin is to be grafted required it, the instrument could provide a patch with scalloped edges.

Heretofore skin grafting required that the surgeon have a flat surface of the body to work on when he removed a piece of skin with the ordinary surgical knife, Dr. Padgett said. With the mechanical skinner, patches six inches long and four inches wide can be taken off in a few minutes and applied immediately over burned or otherwise damaged areas.

In use the rubber cement is painted on the curved metal drum and also on the area of the skin to be detached. When it dries, one edge of the drum is placed on the skin and it adheres tightly to the area. The drum is then rotated and a knife driven back and forth by an electric motor follows it to separate the skin from the body. The skin is then stripped off the drum and placed on the area where it is needed. The rubber cement can be rubbed off later after the graft has begun.

Should Think Sooner

Some People Have Ready Excuse After Getting Into Trouble

A man convicted at London, Ont., of drunken driving told the magistrate that he might lose his job. He was, nevertheless, sentenced to two weeks in jail and told that the magistrate was more concerned about people in the street whom he might kill or injure than over the possible loss of his position. That is the correct attitude to take. Men who plead for their wives, their families or their jobs after they have got themselves into trouble never think of them beforehand.

Giri Sets Air Mark

Alla Kondratieva, 20-year-old balloonist, claimed a new world's endurance record for stratosphere sphericals after remaining aloft 22 hours and 44 minutes at Penza. She also claims 17 other women's records.

The longest railway platform in England is said to be the Victoria and Exchange station platform in Manchester, which is 2,194 feet in length.

The belief that snakes swallow their young to protect them from danger is a myth.

The first organization for preservation of wild flowers was started in Switzerland about 60 years ago.



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Safer Motoring

Checking Motorists Who Do Not Keep Cars In Safe Mechanical Condition

All over Canada this month, highway constables and city police officers are waging war against motorists who do not keep their cars in safe, mechanical condition. The most common carelessness displayed by motorists is with regard to their headlights and tail lights. The driver who travels on highways with one headlight out is considered one of the greatest menaces in motoring. Police everywhere are issuing reports that such carelessness must be stopped—in the interests of greater safety.

Don't be a one-eyed driver. Wise motorists who wish to avoid fines should have their brakes tested and headlights checked to-day.

Europeans Hoard U.S. Money

Harry Hopkins, United States secretary of commerce, estimated that Europeans have acquired \$100,000,000 of United States paper money for hoarding since the beginning of the first Czechoslovakian crisis last fall.

An animal may have several common names in one locality, but it has only one scientific name throughout the world.

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CHAPTER XI.—Continued

Gunnar comforted Sarah Lynn in the difficult days which followed. "Do not listen to the wailing," he admonished her.

"But they say I killed her, Gunnar."

"And I say you gave to her life again. Not choking in blankets but boldly in the sky, as she would wish, that small grandmother. Age closed her in like a trap, you opened the door."

"Oh, I know! But I keep dreaming of her, huddled down in her seat, swinging over the belt—"

"That is folly. Think of her looking down with pleasure."

"Yes. Only I did so want her at my wedding. It—it isn't going to be a very nice wedding, Gunnar."

He shrugged. "What matter? It is a wedding. That is enough. Then we go!"

They were walking back to her house from an evening with Lynn Dana.

"Gunnar, I promise. I'll stop grieving about Great-granny."

"That is well. Death in age, in sickness, in helplessness is good. All such should be put away."

She came out of her mood of exaltation with a cry of protest. "Oh, Gunnar—no! That's horrible!"

"Man," he persisted, "must learn from Nature. To live survive—how do you say it?"

"The survival of the fittest, but who can say, who can judge and decide who is the fittest? Don't you see what a frightful danger it would be? How wicked people could bribe and corrupt—And some of the finest minds and spirits are in frail bodies. Do you want a world full of prize-fighters? Think—she said hotly—"think of my Uncle Lynn!"

He shrugged. "You speak now of the exception. That would be bad. But in the end, after five hundred years, would not the race be greatly improved?"

Sarah Lynn wasn't interested in the state of the race five hundred years ahead. She was disturbed. Gunnar had aired those ideas before, but never so vehemently.

She had to put herself to sleep that night resolutely, remembering the thrilling beauty of the lane against the moon.

But she kept her promise to stop mourning over the death of the ancestress. All her loyal cohorts helped, and a long, understanding cable from Sally Ann, and most of all, the man in the wheeled-chair.

"Let's put a period to it, Sarah Lynn," he said. "You were privileged to pay back in an hour what you had owed her all your life. She gave you your freedom; you gave her hers."

So peace came back to Sarah Lynn for her last days in Danavale. She said to her father, "Dad, I'm to be

married in Great-granny's parlor Monday morning at nine, and then we're flying east. I wanted you to know. I'm telling, Bill, too."

Ed Dunn put a hand on her shoulder. "You wanted me to know? Well, don't you want me to come to your wedding?"

"Dad, dear!"

"We'll be there, all your brothers and I, and old Penny, of course. I—I doubt if your mother—"

"I know."

"Your mother is pretty set in her ideas, for all she's so gentle. This thing about Duncan, I mean, goes pretty deep. But I want you to know the rest of us—the boys and I—are satisfied, Sarah Lynn."

She couldn't speak. It was a comfort to have him go on talking.

"We're pretty proud of you, Sarah Lynn, and we like Gunnar. It's fine what the old lady has done for you, just now, when things are pretty lean with me. Of course, we always knew she would remember you substantially, and it wasn't any surprise to find she's left everything to you and Sally Ann. What'll make it nice for the boy. He'll be free to keep right on with the things he's interested in. I'd hate to think of his having to keep his nose to the grindstone," he said. He gave her a hard hug and got quickly into his car.

Sarah Lynn went for a last walk with Miss Pennington, out to their meadow. She dreaded it a little, but the old governess was briskly commonplace. "I wonder at you, really I do," she said severely, "marrying without a new stitch to your name! It would have given me pleasure to mark your things. I cannot help but feel this haste is unseemly."

Sarah Lynn drove herself out to the airport to say good-by to her plane and her friends, young Bill's adoring presence beside her.

"Gee, Sis, some people have all the luck!" he moaned. "Gosh, I wish I was going with you and Gunnar!"

"Bill—this is a secret—cross your heart? Well, you get through high school, and I'll send for you to come over to Norway and learn to fly."

"Gee!" he gasped. "Golly! Hot zigzags! No foolin'!"

No fooling, she pledged him, her heart warm. She had all the luck, all the love. She felt a great uprush of happy gratitude, an ardent longing to give something away, to do something for somebody.

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angel child to catch anything off me! Everybody high hating me and—"

"Oh, not everyone, Kitty! I'm glad to see you. I'm glad I can say good-by to you. I—we're flying east—"

"Yeah. Big Swede in a fireman's hat."

Sarah Lynn laughed. "He doesn't wear it any more, Kit, and it's Norway, not—"

"All right, all right; let it go at that. But for all your soft line you wouldn't hop with me on a hot bed, would you? Sure you wouldn't!" There was authentic bitterness in the high voice.

"Why, yes, I would, Kitty!" Sarah Lynn said, her voice warm. "I must be home in a little while, but I'd love to go up for a spin with you. I've never flown with you, have I? But I've seen your stunts in pictures and I think you're wonderful! Bill!" she called to her hovering brother—"you wait for me. I'll be down in a jiffy."

"Well, let's make it fast then," the stunt flyer said.

She taxied down the field and took off smartly. Sarah Lynn thought the inside of the ship looked a good deal like its pilot—shabby, hectic, not quite clean. "Kitty, is your husband—"

"Husband? Listen! All men are dogs!" She was circling the field. She looked down. "I bet this burns 'em up—that bunch down there, your flying with Poison Ivy." She began a sudden and reckless climb.

"No, Kit! Why should it?" But Sarah Lynn had an uneasy conviction that Gunnar and Conrad Jordan would sternly disapprove. She knew their feeling about the Kitty Medill type of flier. Why had she come?

"They say I've lost my nerve. Say I'm all washed up. Well, I'm not. I'm just as good as I ever was. I'll show 'em." The small face seemed wholly composed of sulky mouth and stubborn jaw. "I'll show 'em right now. Hang on, kid! We're going to the circus!"

She allowed her plane to stall in level flight, held her joy stick back and her rudder on and went into a violent tailspin.

Sarah Lynn's heart turned over and over. She clutched and clung, thinking her stars that Gunnar was not watching. Could the mad-cap recover? What were the men thinking down on the field, her friends?

Kit closed her throttle, pulled back on her stick, regulated her flying speed, straightened out smoothly; a brilliant performance. She grinned at her passenger. "All washed up, am I?"

"Of course not! You're marvellous! That was a gorgeous thrill, Kit. But I believe we'd better go down, now."

(To Be Continued)

One Word France Respects

La Patrie Has Electrifying Effect On Every Person

Fifteen billion francs are needed for national defense. The news comes from Mr. Reynaud, finance minister. How this man succeeds in keeping his popularity is an inexplicable mystery, says the Paris correspondent of The Argonaut, for every few months he steps before the microphone and tells us just how far we must dig down in our empty pockets for the sake of "la Patrie" and France accepts it without discussion. In such a wrangling people the fact is phenomenal.

One must understand, however, that "la Patrie" is the most electrifying word in the French language. At its sound, sentimentalists weep while men of action get red in the face with emotion. For the "Patrie" no effort is too great, no sacrifice too bitter. It is the only word in the vernacular without a joke of some sort attached to it. When the most irrepressible Frenchman pronounces it he becomes as solemn as an owl and if you don't receive it in a like spirit, trouble is brewing. Mr. Reynaud has been using it quite freely, of late.

His One Weakness

Blair-Hughes-Stanton, modernist son of an R. A. father (the late Sir Herbert Hughes-Stanton), admits to one artistic weakness—he invariably draws big toes on the wrong side of a foot. So he usually checks up. But in his recent London exhibit is one he overlooked. He found it himself at the private view.

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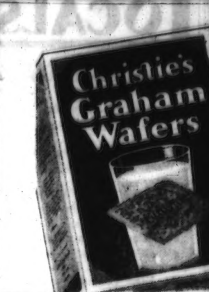
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Preserve Historic Site

Southwest Earthwork in Ontario Was Indian Stronghold

Unique among the national historic sites preserved and maintained in Canada by the National Parks Bureau, Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa, is the Southwest Earthwork, located near St. Thomas, Ontario. These aboriginal works, which cover an area of about 3½ acres, are believed to have been erected by the Attiwardanok or "Neutral" Indians. When the Attiwardanoks were driven from Ontario by the Iroquois about 1650, the prehistoric earthwork is thought to have been the scene of their last stand against the triumphant Iroquois warriors. Although the Attiwardanoks had been visited by French traders previous to their expulsion, the remains of the earthworks have disclosed nothing that would indicate previous contacts with European civilization.

Canadian archaeologists and officials of the Smithsonian Institute of Washington have declared this Indian fortification to be the only one of its kind in Canada. The site contains the ruins of a unique double walled fort protected by a double line of earthworks by which it was completely enclosed. The ditch between the walls, locally known as the moat, was formed by the removal of the earth used in building the walls. There is also abundant evidence that these walls were palisaded.

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Free Democracies

Have The Highest Standard Of Living In The World To-day

A defence of "bad government" was offered by Transport Minister Howe in telling Dalhousie University Alumni Association the free democracies had "the highest standard of living in the world to-day."

"I am sure no one here doubts that we have had government if they are readers of the daily press," said the Minister, a former member of Dalhousie faculty. "But in defence of 'bad government' I can say none of the democracies are disposed to go to war to inflict their bad government on the other peoples of the world."

"Under bad government we can have free speech, a free press and a free pupil. These are things that are necessary in democracies, but not possible under totalitarian governments."

"Admitting for the moment our government is 'bad,' we are very fortunate to be living under that government."

Time On The Moon

Revolution Around Sun Slow Making Long Days And Nights

The long nights and days on the moon result from the fact that, as the moon travels around the sun, it turns very slowly on its axis. Thus, one side of it is exposed to the rays of the sun for a great length of time. Because of the earth's daily journey in its orbit around the sun, it must spin on its axis a little more than one complete revolution before the same place arrives again beneath the vertical rays of the sun. Thus during one year, one extra revolution is made.

Hardening Of The Brain

A "stony" brain disease was reported to the American Medical Association. Parts of the brain hardened and turned into stone when the parathyroid glands in the neck failed to function properly. Dr. McKendree Eaton and Dr. Samuel Haines of Rochester, Minn., declared. These glands govern the body's utilization of calcium, the bone-building mineral.

Work is done well only when done with a will.

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Vast Historic Importance

French Writer Refers To Visit Of Their Majesties To North America

The journey of King George and Queen Elizabeth to North America is an event of vast historic importance emphasizing the greatness of colonial empires, Gabriel Hanotaux, historian and member of the French Academy, said in an article in Le Journal, Paris.

"This exceptional visit in the present circumstances will define in the eyes of universal opinion the meaning and scope of the expression which has suddenly taken on vast significance—colonial empire."

Canada was of particular interest to France, because much of it once belonged to France and still had a large French-speaking population.

After paying tribute to such explorers as Samuel de Champlain, Pere Marquette, Jacques Cartier, Sir Walter Raleigh and William Penn, Hanotaux said "North America is the daughter of two great European nations—Great Britain and France."

"These Canadian lands are endowed by nature with vast riches in the form of gold mines, precious metals, boundless forests, fur-bearing animals, arable lands—all offering limitless horizons for profitable human labor."

"Such is the future of this Dominion, and this is the offering which will be handed to the youthful sovereign whose reign opens under the auspices of such a beautiful gift."

Praise Canadian Turkeys

Canadian turkeys stand high in the estimation of the world. In a recent issue, The Fish Trades Gazette, a leading British poultry trade journal, reflects this opinion in the following extract: "The best demand has been for the Canadian birds, which, although dearer than the Continentals, are a far better turkey; they are graded so well. Not only does a buyer get the correct weight but the birds are all young."

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His Most Excellent Majesty King George VI with his consort and Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Elizabeth—Canada's King and Queen—are now visiting the Western part of the Dominion.

The King is the official Constitutional Head of Canada, of Great Britain, and of the British Commonwealth of Nations, and in his own Royal person he is the symbol of that Freedom and Justice which all enjoy who live under the protection of our Empire flag.

Thirty different races of people have come to our prairies, from the far ends of the earth to find homes; some have found prosperity, and all have found, and enjoy, Protection, Freedom and Justice.

But this Protection, Freedom and Justice cost our forefathers great sacrifices in blood and treasure, and these priceless advantages, history tells us, are only maintained by extreme vigilance, and by a continued willingness on the part of all to make similar sacrifices whenever necessary.

It is, therefore, well to remind ourselves that all who enjoy Freedom and Justice in Canada, under the King's protection, must be willing at any moment, when called upon by their King, to make, each one, his own particular sacrifice in order to maintain and to keep alive this most precious heritage.

SHARON LUTHERAN CHURCH

J. B. Stokes, Pastor
Rev. Talbot Ronning, recently returned from China, will give a mission lecture in the Sharon Lutheran church on Tuesday afternoon, June 6, at 2 o'clock. The English language will be used.

SEARLE PRECIPITATION REPORT

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Precipitation for week 0.1
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LOCALS

Mrs. I. C. Knudson is attending the postmasters' convention in Edmonton this week.

The Irma senior baseball team lost out in the competition at Loughheed on May 24th.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fischer at Wainwright hospital, May 28th, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Peterson had a visit from Mrs. Peterson's mother and brother this week.

The Irma Branch of the Canadian Legion are planning to hold a sports day on July 1st in Irma.

Mr. Fred Thorsen arrived back from B. C. last week where he spent the winter with his daughter.

Grasshoppers have again put in an appearance and a start at mixing poison bait has been made in Irma.

The W. A. of St. Mary's, Irma, will hold a sale of home cooking at Mr. Fletcher's store on Saturday, June 10.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Charlton of Edgerton moved into the rooms over Stone's bakery the first of this week.

Mr. Charlton is the Watkin's agent for this district.

The next meeting of the Irma ladies' aid will be held at the home of Mrs. R. D. Smallwood on Thursday, June 8th, at 3 p.m. All ladies are cordially invited.

The Irma school boys' basketball team won the trophy for another year at the games held in Wainwright on May 27, defeating Wainwright team by a score of 23-7.

The Irma Loyal Social Credit group have arranged to hold a sports day in Irma on June 14th, to be followed by a dance in Kiefer's hall in the evening with the Texas Rangers' orchestra of Edmonton supplying the music.

The Irma girls' basketball team were also successful in bringing back their cup for another year, defeating the Wainwright girls by a good margin. So far we have no report from the press secretary on the day's activities.

The Irma boys' baseball team 16 years and under won first place on May 24th at Vermilion, but the Irma senior girls' softball team were beaten. No definite report has been given so we are unable to give any particulars of these games.

A special meeting of the Irma Branch, Canadian Legion, will be held in the Legion hall on June 21st. This meeting will take the form of a social evening, members of the Hardesty and Wainwright branches being invited.

Thos. G. Dark's Optical Parlor car will be in Irma Thursday evening, June 15th, after 7 o'clock, and Friday, June 16th, from 8.30 to 10.30 a.m. Friday, June 16th: Jarow, 11 to 12; Kinsella, 12.15 to 1; Viking, 1.30 to 4.30; Bruce, 5.30 to 7.30.

SEARLE PRECIPITATION REPORT

NUMBER 3

(Compiled from 180 Rain Gauge Reports)

The precipitation which has occurred from April 1 to May 21, inclusive, combined with that which occurred during the months of August, September and October last, and weighted for wheat acreage, indicates that the moisture condition for the three provinces as a unit, is 95% of normal or longtime average.

The moisture condition of Alberta is 90%; of Saskatchewan, 105%; and of Manitoba, 65%.

Past records reveal that seldom if ever have rains fallen at such a needed time as that which occurred May 21. The greater part of the Western wheat crop was on the verge of becoming seriously damaged from drought. That danger, fortunately, has now been averted, for the time being, in most areas. The very generous rains occurred in central and southern Saskatchewan and in central and northern Alberta. Southern Alberta and northern Saskatchewan, and Manitoba received but little of the splendid rainfall.

It is particularly gratifying to find that the great wheat growing province of Saskatchewan, and particularly south-western Saskatchewan where many considered that normal rainfall could not occur again, has at this moment the prospect of producing at least an average crop.

BURNS ARE FATAL

AFTER FOUR WEEKS

Calgary, May 29.—Miss Myrtle E. Massie, 21, of Viking, badly burned and injured April 28 in a bush fire near Bragg Creek, died in hospital here Saturday. Bragg Creek is 25 miles north of Calgary.

The girl was thrown off a wagon carrying equipment to 20 firefighters two miles southwest of Bragg Creek. Her brother-in-law, E. Jamieson, on horseback, snatched her from a ring of flames, but not before she had suffered serious burns on the back, chest, arms and legs.

THE EVIL EFFECTS OF ALCOHOL

By Hazel Congdon, Grade 12

The percentage of people drinking alcoholic beverages is rapidly assuming increasing proportions. There is no doubt but that the adult population of America indulges in the use of alcohol from its occasional use as a medicine to its habitual use in large quantities. This knowledge alone is appalling enough but what of our young people? In a recent interview in the state of Maryland of 13,528 young people between the ages of 16 and 24, in every kind of neighborhood and of all social classes, representing as closely as possible the general youth of Canada and the U. S., these facts were discovered: 52.9% reported that they drank; 19.3% reported themselves generally opposed, while the remaining 27.8%, although they themselves did not drink, had no objection to others doing so. Boys are more liable to drink than girls but 44.7% of the girls questioned reported that they drank. What is this widespread use of alcohol going to lead to? Are there any evil effects resulting from its use? Let us consider facts obtained from various reports and actual test experiments and find our answer.

First of all we will consider how it affects the body. Alcohol lessens strength and endurance. Army men cannot march nearly as long when given rum as when fed an equal amount of a beef tea ration. Strong drink gives a feeling of warmth when first taken, but it actually causes the body to cool more quickly and so lowers the body's resistance to low temperatures. Alcohol is a relentless despoiler of the organs of the body. Repeated doses tend to harden permanently the lining of the stomach and indigestion results. The liver and kidneys are seriously affected. The cells of these organs become fibrous and so harden. These organs can no longer function properly and serious complications follow. This same hardening of the cells takes place in the heart and arteries, causing leakage in the heart. The hardened blood vessels of the brain burst, causing a form of paralysis known as apoplexy. Alcohol impairs and weakens the whole body and makes it extremely susceptible to attacks of germ diseases, especially pneumonia and tuberculosis. The death rate for these diseases is much higher in drinkers than non-drinkers. For these reasons alone, then, alcohol should be deliberately and studiously avoided.

The nervous system is almost immediately reacted upon by alcohol. Have you ever watched a drunken man stagger as he walks? The nerves have practically lost their control of the muscles. But the worst effects are on the brain—the master of the nervous system. Mental powers are lowered and efficiency in every line is destroyed. Speed and accuracy are reduced and the memory is weakened. But worst of all, the reasoning power is decreased. The drinker is no longer capable of self-criticism and in most cases loses complete control over his thoughts and his actions. His character is completely demoralized. After continued imbibing results in insanity. Careful estimates show that alcohol is a contributing cause of insanity among 25% to 50% of the inmates of the asylums of New York. What a contrast between a clear-eyed, keen-minded individual entirely master of himself and the glittering-eyed monster of an asylum cell.

From an economical viewpoint the use of alcohol should be given some straight thinking. Thousands of dollars are spent annually on liquor, aiding in the destruction and demoralization of the race. Aside from the actual cost of the liquor, the extra cost to the public in law courts, jails, hospitals and insane asylums for handling cases due to the use of liquor is enormous. It is almost impossible to estimate the cost of accidents caused by people under the influence of liquor, but it runs up into untold millions. A sober man thinks first and acts afterwards; a drunk man acts first and has plenty of time to think later in prison. But most important of all is the individual's own financial loss. A drunken man cannot secure a steady job as it costs too much to take risks on him. 72% of the farmers, 79% of manufacturers, 80% of trades and 98% of transportation lines refuse to employ drinkers. One has only to look about him to find examples of men, who though once brilliant and successful, have been dragged down to the gutter and all of its misery through drink. In view of these facts, is not our battle against alcohol worth while economically?

Almost as great as the harm a drinker does himself is the harm he commits socially. His character becomes so low he no longer has the respect and love of his family. His home life is ruined. Alcohol induces diseases and broken homes following in its wake. Many inmates of children's homes and orphan asylums are the

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KILOCYCLING

By WALTER DALES

Three Edmonton Stations Combine

In Royal Visit Broadcasts

Edmonton May 29.—June 2nd will see Edmonton's population more than doubled when over 100,000 visitors will come to the Capital City to welcome Their Majesties, and three broadcasting stations, CICA, CKUA and CFRN combine their facilities to give complete coverage of the Royal Visit.

After a day's rest at Jasper, the Royal Party will entrain for Edmonton, arriving at the C.N.R. depot at approximately 2.30 p.m. Here announcers Norman Botterill, CICA Production Manager, and Sid Lancaster of CFRN, will give a word-picture of the arrival, and describe the movement of the procession along 101st street.

From his vantage point on the corner of 101st street and Portage avenue, Roy Wright will continue the broadcast. He will see Their Majesties proceed down Portage, flanked on both sides by two solid miles of bleachers, seating 65,000 people.

When the Royal Party reaches the west end of Portage, the C.B.C. unit will begin its broadcasting. Here listeners will get a word picture of the airplane exhibit being presented for Their Majesties. The C.B.C. commentary will continue until the procession arrives at the Legislature, where they will also broadcast the address of welcome by Premier Aberhart.

All three Edmonton stations will carry the C.B.C. commentaries as well as those of their own special fleets.

Speaking of trials and tribulations in this business of broadcasting. Delay in the arrival of the Royal Party has sent radio schedules shifting and changing like the sands of the desert! Traffic officials, whose duty it is to re-align their program schedules, have harbored many a headache. But

neglected children of drunken fathers or divorced parents. Frequently children of drunkards are born crippled or are mentally deficient, and are thus a menace to society. Many crimes are the direct result of drinkers. Only read your newspapers and see what revolting deeds and assaults are committed under the influence of alcohol. These crimes would never have been perpetrated if no liquor had been taken. A survey shows that 80% of the men who occupy cells in the Tombs prison in New York admit that alcohol helped put them there. To sum up, one-third of the pauperism, one-fifth of the divorces, and one-half of the crime of our country are caused by the use of alcohol.

Alcohol wrecks havoc on the body, it destroys self-respect and self-control; it creates loose morals; it is obtaining a tenacious hold on the youth of today. What of the next generation? We must redouble our efforts if our combat against this destroyer is to be successful.

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Light Up and Listen Club is another feature that has arranged to change its time in order that listeners may be sure to hear every detail of the Royal tour. It will be heard instead at 9.15 to 9.30 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

Each day, whenever the opportunity occurs, announcers will give brief resumes of the day's Royal Visit broadcasts.

IMPERIAL VETERANS

All Imperial Veterans, visiting Edmonton during the visit of Their Majesties on June 2nd, who are desirous of participating in the voluntary lining of the Route of Progress, are earnestly requested to be at the Imperial Hall, 10021-102nd Avenue, Edmonton, by 1.30 p.m. of that date.

The Imperials will parade as a unit to the general muster ground, for the purpose of joining other Ex-Service bodies taking part. Definite instructions will be given prior to moving off.

Those intending to assist are requested to make their own arrangements for their families as the Central Committee have made no provision for free seating of those whose head may be on duty.

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